

# **Local partnerships and what makes Mali unique**

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Oliver Ramsbotham, Tom Woodhouse and  
Hugh Miall (1999)

Contradiction

*Structural Peacebuilding*

Polarization

*Peacemaking*

Violence

*Peacekeeping*

**WAR**

Ceasefire

*Peacekeeping*

*Peacemaking*

Normalization

*Structural Peace building*

Reconciliation

*Cultural Peace building*

# Mali has multiple layers of conflict

- Tuaregs vs. Tuaregs
- MNLA vs. Malian governments
- French & ECOWAS vs. Al-Qaeda related groups
- Communities at the grassroots level vs. themselves, etc...

# Way Forward

- *“Create sustainable civil-military relationship that institutionalizes the primacy of civil authority and takes a more strategic, peace building approach to security sector”* – Mali Watch Paper
- Involve local stakeholders early in the game!